

REMARKS

Election of Species Requirement

In the Election of Species requirement mailed March 13, 2006, the Examiner divided the claims into 2 species: (1) botanical and (2) degradation products.

For the purposes of initiating prosecution with respect to this application, Applicant elects: Species 1, botanical.

This election is without traverse.

The Requirement also required a listing of claims readable on the elected species. Those claims are claims: 1-2, 5-11, 14-52.

With respect to the Election of Species requirement, Applicants understand that if no relevant prior art is found with respect to the elected species, the search will be expanded non-elected species. Applicants further understand that if no applicable prior art is discovered, the entire genus will be searched and examined.

From the foregoing, this Application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly solicited.


Petition for an Extension of Time

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17, 1.136(a), the Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of three (3) months to July 12, 2006 for the period in which to file a response to the outstanding Office Action.

The required extension of time fee of \$510.00 is attached hereto. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this amendment to Deposit Account 50-2752.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this election or the Application in general, she is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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